

I. Rejection of All Rossing Claims

At page 2, item 1 of the March 9th final Office Action, the Examiner rejected all of the pending claims, claims 1, 3-9, and 11-15 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0065062, Levesque.

As the previous claims, and the amended claims more clearly describe, the claimed invention increases and decreases the amount of power supplied to a load based on certain dynamic characteristics of the load. For example, if two devices such as two cell phones are on a surface, the present invention can provide different amounts of power to the devices depending upon their state, such as being on or off. Thus, the invention controls the output of a power source (e.g., the surface) based on dynamic characteristics of the device being supplied, such as the state of the device being on or off, charged or uncharged.

The disclosure of Levesque does not teach or suggest such control. In fact, Levesque teaches controlling the load, *not the power source* as in the claimed invention. For example, Levesque discloses controlling the gain of an r.f. transmitter based on the state of the power source. Thus with Levesque, as a battery (power source) gets weaker, the Levesque system adjusts the gain of the r.f. transmitter to compensate for the weaker battery. Levesque does not teach or suggest controlling the amount of power to the transmitter; that is a variable that Levesque does not control. In other words, Levesque controls a device down stream of the power source; while the claimed invention controls the power source.

Because Levesque is basically different from the claimed invention and does not teach each and every element of the claims, arranged as in the claims, applicant requests that the

Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102, and pass this case to allowance.

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